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# Denali Training Fund Program Quarterly Progress Report

Funds for this project are provided by the Denali Commission and the USDOL and managed, in partnership, by the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

Name of Organization:	Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium				
Name of Project:	Dental Therapist Training				
Reporting Period:	1/7/10 - 3/31/10				
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Certification: I certify that the information in this report is current, correct and true and in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement.

Signed by: May = Mulli Dated 4/19/10

The performance of this grant will be based upon the success achieved in relation to the goals established and approved by the Alaska Department of Labor, and will be reported in the Grantee's quarterly progress reports. Specific goals and objectives for this project are:

#### **Insert Scope**

The Grantee will provide training to five second year students from the Villages of King Cove, Sand Point, Scammon Bay, Mountain Village and Unakleet to become Alaska Dental Health Aid Therapists. The Dental Health Aide Therapists will be employed in clinics in rural communities.

The first year of training is conducted in Anchorage where participants receive both didactic and clinical instruction. The second year clinical clerkship will be under direct supervision of licensed Dentists working at the Yuut Elitnaurviat Dental Training Clinic in Bethel.

TARGET POPULATION:	5 Participants	
Participants served to date:	5	<del></del>

# GOALS/OBJECTIVES ACCOMPLISHED TO DATE:

Please provide the status of each objective. Answer yes or no.

- Goal 1 To improve employability skills through hands-on training experiences to prepare rural Alaskans for successful transition in to Alaska's workforce.
  - Objective 1.1 Participants maintain passing grade average.
  - Objective 1.2 Participants maintain above average attendance record.
  - Objective 1.3 By June 30, 2010 participants successfully completes 50% of the training program.
  - **Objective 1.4** By June 30, 2010 participants are eligible to graduate in December 2010.

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1	1	Participant maintains passing grade average.	Y/N	Maintain copies of grade reporting on file for inspection.
		Participant maintains above average attendance record.	Y/N	Maintain copies of attendance reporting on file for inspection.
		By June 30, 2010 participant successfully completes 50% of the training program.	V / INI	Maintain copy of completed courses on file for inspection.
		By June 30, 2010 participants are eligible to graduate in December 2010.		Maintain copy of progress reports on file for inspection.

## NARRATIVE OF SERVICES:

Provide a brief narrative of services provided this quarter by applicable Goal/Objective as listed above.

Goal 1 with objectives 1 through 4 are applicable. All are maintaining passing grades, and good attendance. All are on track to complete the course and reach the 50% mark by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Objective 4 states "By June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010 all participants will be eligible to graduate December 2010". Final determination of whether a student is at the appropriate level of competency to graduate is not made until the fall of graduation year. Historically, nearly everyone successfully getting to June 30<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year has graduated. (For clarification: Only 1 student has not graduated after successfully progressing to mid year of the second year of training.)

#### **Training and Services provided**

#### Yuut Elitnaurviat Dental Training Clinic (YEDTC), Bethel.

- The third cohort of DHAT students transitioned to Bethel and started class on January 11, 2009. They started treating dental patients on January 19<sup>th</sup>.
- The DHAT Students participated in the annual community dental health promotional event, Mushing for Brushing. This event is associated with the Bogus Creek 150 dogsled race on January 15<sup>th</sup>, and is run by the Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation Dental Department.
- Dr. Sarah Shoffstall, YEDTC Clinical Director, and Dr. K. Anthony Bolin, Dr. Robert Allen, and Dr. Tony Brusca provided clinical instruction and supervision at the YEDTC during this quarter.
- The first village trip with students occurred with great success for Eric Lunduska, EAT and Phyllicia Wilde YKHC, both students that are listed under this grant.
- The DHAT students had 135 patient encounters during the month of February.
- Dr. Robert Allen instructed the students on the extraction of primary and permanent teeth.
- The first students to work on their community dental disease prevention projects were Bonnie Johnson and Chelsea Shoemaker. They made trips to Head Start to complete screening exams, provide oral hygiene instruction, apply povidone iodine and fluoride varnish.
- Dr. Fiset, from the University of Washington, completed his first site visit evaluation for the year on February 23<sup>rd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Fiset met with each of the students, one-on-one, to discuss their progress as well as with instructors and the program manager to discuss overall running of the training program.

#### **ANTHC/UW DENTEX Training Center, Anchorage**

- The fourth cohort of DHAT Students started their first week of training with a five day Pre-session course in which they reviewed: program expectations, medical math, and Anatomy & Physiology.
- Regular Classes began January 18th with the following classes for this 1<sup>st</sup> quarter:

- o Infection control
- Introduction to Dental Health Aide
- General Health Sciences
- Dental Radiology
- Behavioral Sciences
- o Community Based Prevention Project
- The students participated in Project Homeless Connect in downtown Anchorage at the Egan Center with the Anchorage Neighborhood Health Clinic Dental Staff. The students interacted with participants by providing free oral health screenings, distributed toothbrushes, tooth paste and floss.

#### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS: SUCCESS STORIES:**

Provide a narrative of participant successes resulting from participation in your program. Please include photos.

Each 2<sup>nd</sup> year student has written a paragraph of how they feel they are doing and general comments on the program and their experiences. See attachment at the end of report.

Patient comments from 2<sup>nd</sup> year in Bethel:

"Treated child age appropriately."

"Very good"

"She was awesome. So was her assistant. Quyana!!! ⊚"

"Cool @"

"Very nice + proffessional"

"you did a great job thank you"

"Just keep up the great work. Good job everyone. God bless"

"Student makes my child feel comfortable, making it easy to work on him."

"Very good w/4+ yr. old child."

"Very Good! (Student Name) worked wonderfully with my daughter. She explained everything beforehand so my daughter would know what to expect. Thank you."
"Was a good visit & May God who is in control help you with wisdom + knowledge. God Bless Keep up the good work that your doing (Name of Patient)"
"Very nice. Very professional."
" (Student Name) did a good job seeing my daughter."
"Excellent! I felt so relax. Everything went great! ©"
"I spent more time with (Student Name) who saw my daughter, but (Student Name) was very good with me and my son too. Thank you!"
"Very professional + great personality! I would recomend any time great job!"

# Yuut Elitnaurviat Dental Training Clinic, Bethel.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR NEXT REPORTING PERIOD:

Describe the grant activities you expect to complete during the next quarter.

Curriculum Topics to be taught:

- Dental Radiology
- Medications and Dental Treatment
- Dental Anatomy
- Disease Model of Caries
- Dental Caries Management
- Operating Room Orientation and Observation
- Oral Pathology

# Activities:

- Continue going out to the Bethel community to work on Community Dental Disease Prevention Projects
- Village travel to provide dental services for the residents of villages in the YK region
- Start rotating the students through the Operating Room at the Yukon Kuskokwim Regional Hospital to observe the YKHC Pediatric Dentist complete dental treatment on patients under general anesthesia.

#### **ANTHC/UW DENTEX Training Center, Anchorage**

Curriculum Topics to be taught:

- Community Dental Outreach projects
- Head and Neck Anatomy

- Dental Embryology
- Oral Pathology
- Basic Restorative Function
- Local Anesthesia
- Operative Dentistry

### ON TIME AND ON BUDGET:

Are the grant activities progressing as planned? Are you within your budget? If not, what is the cause? What is the solution? How can we help?

We are on budget. We feel that we will not have any problems staying within the budget provided. We are also on track for students to successfully complete their training on time.

#### **DEMOGRAPHIC DATA:**

List the number of trainees by their home community, the type of training, certification, training date, graduation date, and who will employ them upon completion of training this quarter.

Number of Trainees	Home Community	Type of Training	Type of Certification	Training Dates	Graduation Date	Commitment for employment after training
Bonnie Johnson	Unakleet	Dental Health Aide Therapist	Certificate of Certification by CHAP Certification Board	2009- 2010	December 2010	YKHC
Alison Kaganak	Scammon Bay	Same as above	Same as above	Same as above	Same as above	YKHC
Phylicia Wilde	Mt. Village	Same as above	Same as above	Same as above	Same as above	YKHC
Eric Lunduska	King Cove	Same as Above	Same as Above	Same as Above	Same as Above	Eastern Aleutian Tribes
Chelsea Shoemaker	Sand Point	Same as Above	Same as Above	Same as Above	Same as Above	Eastern Aleutian Tribes

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Please note: The data collected in your Quarterly Progress Report provides vital information that can have a direct impact on future funding for our grant programs. Forwarding your success stories and photos as part of our requests is further evidence of how rural youth training is crucial to building a strong workforce for Alaska. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.